



Mission

Protecting and enhancing the natural beauty of Monroe through the development of a vibrant system of parks, open space, and trails. Providing residents of all age's positive opportunities for recreation and social gathering in clean, safe, accessible, and inclusive facilities and green spaces. Enhancing health, quality of living, and the natural environment for present and future generations.

Department Update

Operations

The Tri-Swing is back! The crew repaired the Tri-Swing at Lake Tye Park, as well as pruning and prepping all landscaped beds for the spring growing season. The Rotary doors were also repaired, resolving an issue from December that extended into early 2025.



(Above: Tri-Swing at Lake Tye and Lake Tye Backstop Project)

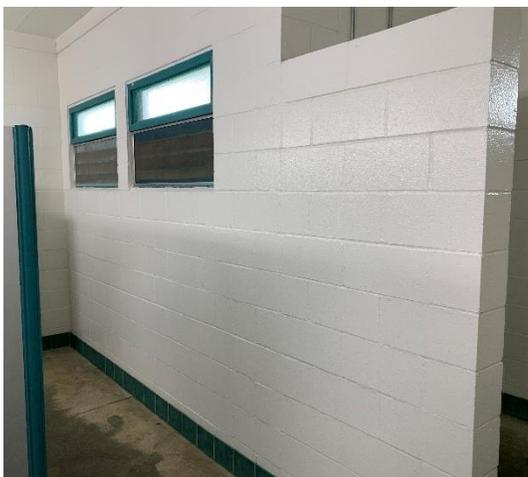
A big thank you to the Eagle Scout group that volunteered on a Saturday to replace the wooden portion of the backstop on Field 2 at Lake Tye. This long-overdue project addressed safety hazards and reduced the need for frequent maintenance, greatly improving the playability and appearance of the field. Their hard work is greatly appreciated by the department.

Looking ahead, March will bring an increase in outdoor work as the busy season begins.



(Above: Fence damage at sky river by vehicle and one by windstorm)

Another major accomplishment in February included completing the majority of pruning along Tjerne Place. This long-overdue task improved sightlines for both pedestrians and vehicles while enhancing the overall appearance of the area. Additionally, most soccer nets on the synthetic fields were replaced due to wear from heavy community use, with the remaining nets scheduled for replacement in the coming month.



When the snow event temporarily slowed outdoor work, the crew used the time to perform maintenance on equipment in preparation for the busy season starting in March. They also completed indoor projects such as painting and recaulking at the Lake Tye and Lewis Street restrooms, addressing general wear and vandalism from the past year.

Currie View Park

Exciting update! On February 28th, we gathered for the groundbreaking ceremony of Currie View Park, and as of today, construction is officially underway!

The new play equipment includes features that: encourage multi-generational play; are ADA inclusive and intentionally break down physical and social barriers to play; a playful theme that enhances the visual appeal of the park; and advanced climbing challenges and motion activities that appeal to older children who seek a more adventurous play experience.

We appreciate your patience as the park will be a bit messy during construction while we move a significant amount of dirt associated with the project. The new play structure is set to be completed by the end of April.



Volunteer Opportunities

If you are interested in volunteering for the City of Monroe, please contact our Parks and Recreation Admin Assistant at (360) 863-4559 or sign up for notifications at <https://bit.ly/3uLsNjW>. Visit the City website www.monroewa.gov for information.

Park Board

The Board's meeting in February reviewed the Downtown Revitalization Project. The next meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2025.

City Parks Unmarked Trails Inspections

In 2017, a weekly maintenance monitoring emphasis by park staff was initiated on unmarked trails at Al Borlin and Sky River Parks to identify and resolve, in cooperation with our Police Department, any unlawful encampments that may occur in City parks. Attached is the comprehensive data from 2019 to the present. The following is a summary of data for the past month:

Locations: Al Borlin & Sky River Trails

DATE	TOTAL LABOR HOURS	# BAGS OF LITTER COLLECTED	NOTES
2/21	13.5	20	Sky River Park – Inspections, Garbage Removal Al Borlin – Inspections, Garbage Removal
			See attached Parks Homeless Response Data 2019- 2023



MONROE PARK BOARD

Park Board Meeting
Thursday, February 20, 2025, 7:00 PM
Hybrid: Zoom Online Meeting Platform & In-Person at the Parks & Public Works Building at
769 Village Way

Park Board Members:
Amy Martin, Chair
Ron Petrick, Vice Chair
Vacant, Member
Brady Welever, Member
Abdul Salama, Member
Vacant, Member
Lisa Brown, Member

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Martin called the Park Board meeting to order at 7:02pm, hybrid via zoom and in-person in the Court Room at 769 Village Way.

2. ROLL CALL

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amy Martin	Chairperson
<input type="checkbox"/> Vacant	Board Member
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abdul Salama	Board Member
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brady Welever	Board Member
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ron Petrick	Board Member
<input type="checkbox"/> Vacant	Board Member
<input type="checkbox"/> Lisa Brown	Board Member

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

3.1. Downtown Revitalization Project was presented by Patrick Doherty.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1. Motion was made by Board Member Petrick, seconded by Board Member Welever, to approve the January 19, 2025 Meeting Minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

5. NEW BUSINESS

6. STAFF/BOARD DISCUSSION

6.1. Parks Department Report - *Mike Farrell*

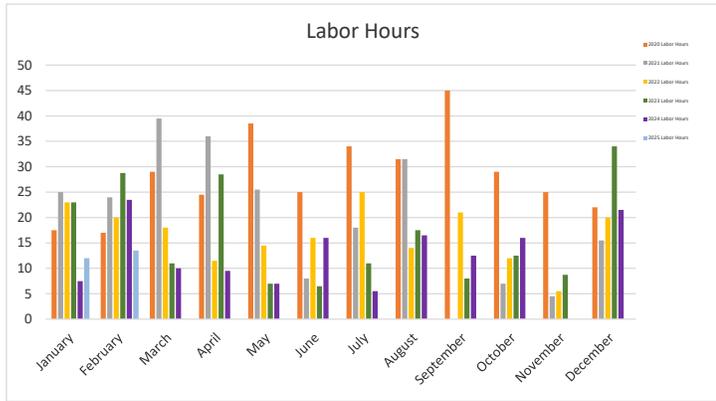
6.2. Community Development Department Report - *Mike Farrell*

7. ADJOURNMENT

7.1. Board Member Welever motioned to adjourn and Board Member Petrick seconded. Motioned passed 4-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 7:52pm.

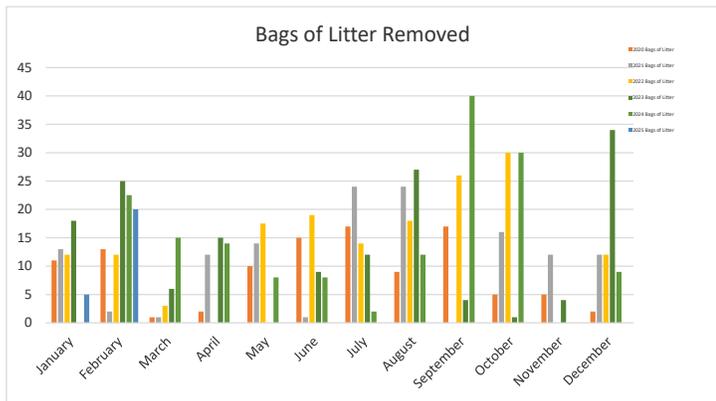
Chairperson

	Labor Hours YTD	Bags of Litter Removed YTD	Camps Removed YTD
Jan-25	12	5	1
Feb-25	13.5	20	1
Mar-25			
Apr-25			
May-25			
Jun-25			
Jul-25			
Aug-25			
Sep-25			
Oct-25			
Nov-25			
Dec-25			
Total 2025	25.5	25	2

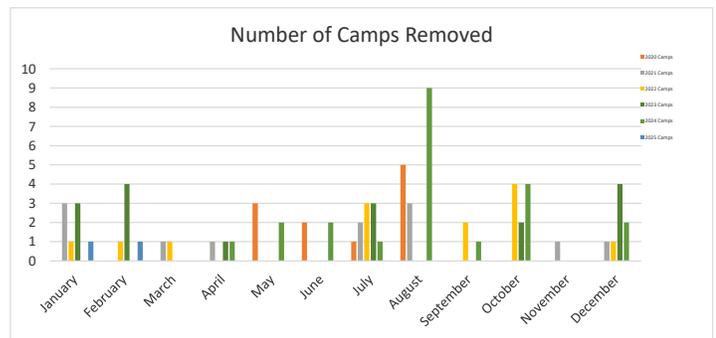


	Labor Hours YTD	Bags of Litter Removed YTD	Camps Removed YTD
Jan-24	7.5	0	0
Feb-24	23.5	22.5	0
Mar-24	10	15	0
Apr-24	9.5	14	1
May-24	7	8	2
Jun-24	16	8	2
Jul-24	5.5	2	1
Aug-24	16.5	12	9
Sep-24	12.5	40	1
Oct-24	16	30	4
Nov-24 0*	0*	0*	0*
Dec-24	21.5	9	2
Total 2024	145.5	160.5	22

Note: * No trail inspections due to storm event and training



	Labor Hours YTD	Bags of Litter Removed YTD	Camps Removed YTD
Jan-23	23	18	3
Feb-23	28.75	25	4
Mar-23	11	6	0
Apr-23	28.5	15	1
May-23	7	0	0
Jun-23	6.5	9	0
Jul-23	11	12	3
Aug-23	17.5	27	0
Sep-23	8	4	0
Oct-23	12.5	1	2
Nov-23	8.75	4	0
Dec-23	34	34	4
Total 2023	196.5	155	17



2019-2022 data is shown only on the graphs. If you would like the full data breakdown, please reach out to Shelley Rowe srowe@monroewa.gov